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## SUBMISSION OF EXECUTED DECLARATION

Sir:

Enclosed for filing is an original executed Declaration for the above-identified patent application.

Our files indicate that the United States Patent and Trademark Office never sent a Notice to File Missing Parts in connection with this application. Thus, Jodi Lang of our office placed a telephone call to the Group Supervisor to determine the status of the present application. Mr. Andrew Faile, the Group Supervisor, advised Ms. Lang to have the documents hand-carried to his attention.

It is believed that this communication and the enclosed Declaration are proper since no Notice to File Missing Parts was received. Finally, we hereby authorize the Office to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 for the amount of the required surcharge, which is believed to be \$130.00 for the late filing of the enclosed Declaration. If any additional fees are required by the present communication, authorization is hereby given to charge them to Deposit Account No 2 12-1099 If there should be any questions or comments in

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with this matter, please contact the undersigned attorney at (908) 654-5000.

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